

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WISCONSIN

Minutes and Informal Instructions of the Open Meeting of Friday, March 14, 2014

The Public Service Commission of Wisconsin (Commission) met as noticed. Present were Chairperson Montgomery (telephonically), Commissioner Callisto and Commissioner Nowak (telephonically).

Minutes

The Commission approved the minutes of the open meeting of Thursday, February 27, 2014.

137-CE-174 - Application of American Transmission Company LLC to Rebuild an Existing 138 kV Transmission Line from the Paris Substation, through the Towns of Paris and Somers, to the Albers Substation in the City of Kenosha, all in Kenosha County, Wisconsin

The Commission approved the Notice of Investigation and directed it be signed by the Secretary to the Commission on behalf of the Commission.

1510-EA-100 - Request of Dahlberg Light & Power Company to Defer Revenues and/or Costs Related to a Lease Expiration Payment

The Commission approved the Notice of Investigation and directed it be signed by the Secretary to the Commission on behalf of the Commission.

1880-CE-104 - Application of the City of Evansville, as an Electric Public Utility, for Authority to Replace the Existing 69/12.47 kV Transformer in its Evansville Substation and to Construct Approximately 2.7 Miles of 12.47 kV Primary Distribution Line, in the City of Evansville, Rock County, Wisconsin

The Commission approved the Notice of Investigation and directed it be signed by the Secretary to the Commission on behalf of the Commission.

9603-TI-101 - Application of Blue Jay Wireless, LLC, to Expand ETC Designation

The Commission approved the Notice of Investigation and directed it be signed by the Secretary to the Commission on behalf of the Commission.

1125-RW-159 - Tolls to be Charged by the Chippewa and Flambeau Improvement Company for the Six-Month Period Ending December 31, 2013

The Commission approved the Notice of Investigation and directed it be signed by the Secretary to the Commission on behalf of the Commission.

5670-CW-103 - Application of Stanley Municipal Waterworks, Chippewa County, Wisconsin, to Construct Well No. 10

The Commission approved the Notice of Investigation and directed it be signed by the Secretary to the Commission on behalf of the Commission.

3470-ER-104 - Application of the Village of Mazomanie, Dane County, Wisconsin, as an Electric Public Utility, for Authority to Increase Electric Rates

The Commission approved the Notice of Proceeding and directed it be signed by the Secretary to the Commission on behalf of the Commission.

950-WR-103 - Application of Camp Douglas Municipal Water Utility, Juneau County, Wisconsin, for Authority to Increase Water Rates

The Commission approved the Notice of Proceeding and directed it be signed by the Secretary to the Commission on behalf of the Commission.

1520-WR-101 - Application of Dallas Municipal Water Utility, Barron County, Wisconsin, for Authority to Increase Water Rates

The Commission approved the Notice of Proceeding and directed it be signed by the Secretary to the Commission on behalf of the Commission.

6630-CU-101 - Application of Wisconsin Electric Power Company for Authority to Convert the Valley Power Plant from a Coal-Fired Cogeneration Facility to a Natural Gas-Fired Cogeneration Facility

6650-CG-235 - Application of Wisconsin Gas LLC, as a Gas Public Utility, for Authority to Install and Place in Service Facilities to Supply Natural Gas to Wisconsin Electric Power Company's Valley Power Plant, in the City of Milwaukee, Milwaukee County, Wisconsin

The Commission modified and approved the Final Decision and directed it be signed by the Secretary to the Commission on behalf of the Commission.

3720-134846 – Lears-Wisconsin, LLC

Petition to Open Docket (suggested minute) (JS/CT memorandum of 3/5/14)

The Commission denied the petition filed on behalf of Lears-Wisconsin, LLC, to open a docket to review a Commission staff informal determination dated February 3, 2012, relating to the billing practices of Milwaukee Water Works as applied to Lears-Wisconsin, LLC.

The Commission directed that a review of Milwaukee Water Utility's (MWW) progress in reducing the number of customers receiving consecutive estimated bills as required by Wis. Admin. Code § PSC 185.33(13)(b) shall be conducted in MWW's upcoming rate case.

The Commission further directed the Division of Water, Compliance and Consumer Affairs to draft an order consistent with its decision.

CLOSED SESSION – The Commission recessed the open meeting, went into closed session under Wis. Stat. § 19.85(1)(g) to discuss the litigation matters noted below with legal counsel, and reconvened the open meeting pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 19.85(2).

Commissioner Callisto moved, pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 19.85(1)(g), that the Commission convene in closed session to discuss the litigation matters listed below. Commissioner Nowak seconded the motion. The motion was carried and the Commission went into closed session.

After a discussion in closed session, the Commission reconvened in open session.

FERC Docket ER14-1242-000 – Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc., System Support Resources Agreement with Wisconsin Electric Power Company

FERC Docket ER14-1243-000 – Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc., Allocation of SSR Costs Associated with the Presque Isle Units 5-9, MISO Rate Schedule

Potential Retention of Legal Counsel and Other Related Administrative Matters

During the discussion held in closed session, information was presented to the Commission regarding the above litigation matters.

The Commission directed the Chief Legal Counsel to negotiate with and retain outside counsel for the purpose of filing a 206 complaint with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission consistent with its discussion.

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The Commission further directed the Secretary to the Commission to send a memorandum to the affected utilities regarding a docket (5-GF-246) for an informal Commission staff investigation regarding the Presque Isle Power Plant and notification of assessment relating to the same.

The Commission adjourned the meeting at 9:29 a.m.

Sandra J. Paske
Secretary to the Commission

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